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It seems that freedom of speech, which England has declared entirely lost in this country, is not what it ought to be even there. How often we have been taunted and jeered at because, in the midst of a gigantic war, it has been thought necessary to arrest men who advocated a dissolution of the Union. But even in this case there has been required some suspicion that the speech would result in some overt act on the part of the individuals, or cause it in others. Even under all circumstances, and in the pressing necessities of the case, the action has been very unpopular and much condemned by loyal men. It deserves condemnation. Nothing but the pressing emergency, making it a matter of life and death with the nation, would justify it. Such a course must be absolutely indispensable, to preserve the lives and liberties of us all in the future, before it can be approved, because, in the right of free speech to one individual, is involved the right of free speech to all.

In this country, too, any restriction upon the freedom of speech seems more unusual, since here it has been carried to the uttermost verge of licentiousness. Nothing has restrained men but the fear of personal chastisement. As to opinions, they might advocate anything, however absurd or treasonable, and the Government would never notice it. For thirty years and more this privilege has been used, and men have been allowed openly to plan and advocate, in letters, speeches and the like, the dissolution of the Union; and have not only gone unpunished, but have actually got places in the Government by advocating the propriety of destroying it.

That this was carrying the case rather far, no one would deny, and there is a general wish, that when the movement proved to be earnest, that its leaders had been arrested.

This, however, would have been for direct conspiracy, calculated to be as successful as well and skillfully planned, and not for mere idle speech, made to a still more idle assembly of enthusiasts.

England, which has read us, in press and Parliament, many a lecture upon this subject, is now teaching us by example. Mr. George F. Train, decidedly one of the most complete and astonishing orators of the day, as well as a business man of extraordinary ability, was invited to address a society of Irishmen—a kind of club whose object is the emancipation of Ireland. He made a stirring speech, suitable to the occasion, and was loudly applauded. Of course it was rather a piece of child's play than otherwise, for, however noble the object of the enthusiasts, there is very little probability that they will ever accomplish it, or that their little club will aid in it. Ireland will be independent through their efforts just about the time the first balloon voyage is made to the moon. At least we thought so. The English Government seems to think differently. Mr. Train, a subject of our Government, has been seized and imprisoned because he exercised freedom of speech in advocating a dissolution of the British Government. If such an arrest had been made here, what a howl there would have been raised by the British press! How eloquent they would have been, and how they would have sneered at the tyranny of the Great Republic! How indignant they would have been if Mr. Train had been a British subject, and with what promptitude a demand for his release would be sent over!

We don't justify Mr. Train. While on British soil it was wrong to advocate or to point out the elements of weakness in the crumbling power of the British Empire, to induce men to advocate its overthrow. He had no right to throw the old woman into its fits with his insolent Yankee tongue, so prompt with facts and figures; but the imprisonment is either making a mountain of a mole-hill, or else the elements of decay must be more thoroughly disseminated than even he imagined. We do think that there is a limit to freedom of speech, and we wish it had been much more stringent. A man who advocates licentiousness, bigamy, and the like would be very promptly arrested, but, until recently, a man might not only advocate, but for a series of years plan, the still higher crime of treason, and go unpunished and honored. That false principle is now exploded, though it has contrived to blow up the very devil in its explosion. But we know not whether to smile or sneer at England, who rebukes us for restraining the freedom of speech in the midst of a gigantic war, in the same way she does in the midst of profound peace.

Indiana.—The Hoosier State has taken a contract to fight the war. You cannot hear of a skirmish or a big battle in which they are not engaged and acquit themselves handsomely. The same paper gives an account of their repulsing a heavy guerrilla force in Tennessee, and of the gallant and glorious conduct of the 21st Indiana at Baton Rouge. They seem to be uniformly successful. The State has the lucky stone of pluck, skill and discipline.

She is as prompt, too, as she is valiant and successful. Kentucky is no sooner invaded than, rushing to our rescue, come tall, brawny Hoosiers, who look like they could handle a hundred pounder as easily as some men could a musket. In hurried columns they push into the State and hurry off to points of danger.

In the new call, she has the first regiment in the field, and her quota first full. In all things that patriotism demands she comes forward and takes her place in the front rank. Hurrah for the gallant Hoosier State and her gallant soldiers!

The Clarksville Affair.

We had a conversation yesterday morning with Mr. O. M. Blackburn, Surveyor of the port at Clarksville, from whom we learn several items of interest, some of which put a little different appearance on that transaction. Mr. B. states that before the guerrillas entered the town some of the citizens notified him that an attack would be made, and if any opposition was offered there would be an indiscriminate slaughter. Mr. B. replied, believing that Col. Mason would fight, that the slaughter would have to come then. Mr. B. does not believe that Colonel Mason deserves the suspicions of treachery that have been attached to his name. He states that Col. Mason and nearly every one in Clarksville knew that parties were organizing at several different points from seven to ten miles distant, and Col. M. wrote to Nashville, where his letter is now on file, that with the force at his command he might be able to hold his camp, but he would not be able to guard all the stores and save the town, unless he had re-enforcements. But re-enforcements were not sent.

The citizens of the place knew at what time the guerrillas were to enter the town, and were prepared to receive them, and give them all possible assistance. The camp of the Seventy-first was about half a mile from the river, and as all the water the soldiers had was hauled from the river, there was not over one day's supply on hand. Colonel M. had guards over the telegraph line, over the stores left at the landing by the last boat, over the Quartermaster's stores and the stables—calling for about 60 men, leaving not over 160 effective men in camp. He had no guns, except one little affair, which was of no service.

It was about the position of affairs when the guerrillas made their appearance. They first captured the river guards, then the guards over the stores. Some 50 or 100 of the citizens joined them. Col. Mason might have made a good fight, and would, by so doing, have retrieved his name; but he was lacking in the nerve. Lieut. Col. Andrews is a fighting man, and to the last voted against any surrender, and for holding out. But he was overruled, and the place surrendered without firing a gun—but not to an inferior force. The guerrillas claimed to have a thousand men, and Lieut. Col. Andrews, at Woodward's permission, before the surrender, went around among them, estimating their numbers at over 700. He counted 530 at one place, and there were about 200 guarding the stores they had taken.

In reference to Fort Donelson, Mr. B. says that the garrison are resolved to fight, if need be, and do not fear the result.

We cannot doubt Mr. B.'s statements, nor his opportunities for learning the true state of the case, and must conclude that the commandant at Nashville should divide with Col. Mason the guilt of this black transaction. We remember that Colonel Boone at Gallatin applied to him in vain for re-enforcements, and this second failure to send assistance makes up a bad case against him. Still, with all the facts before us, there is no excuse for Col. Mason, and he should be instantly dismissed for not having stood his ground, and made a show of fight.

THIRTEENTH KENTUCKY CAVALRY.—It is a source of great pleasure to the Unionist of our State that D. J. Halley has been appointed Colonel of the Thirteenth Kentucky Cavalry, a goodly portion of which Colonel Halley had recruited for Colonel Metcalf's regiment. Colonel Metcalf filled his regiment without Colonel Halley's recruits. The Thirteenth is well filled, there being near eight companies recruited for it in Central Kentucky. Captains Drye, Lanham, W. H. Fidler, Cravens, and Penn have full companies in camp; while Captains Johnson and Williams have nearly completed their companies. Captain Brady has a company recruited for the regiment, and their assiduous labors are being crowned with the greatest success.

There could have been no better man selected for Colonel than D. J. Halley. He is brave, bold, daring, yet cool, calculating and careful. While he does not fear anything in the shape of man, he would lead his men with a care for their lives. He is an honest, upright, unconditioned Unionist and wants the rebellion put down at all hazards. By profession he is a physician, and one of high standing, having graduated with high honors at the school of medicine in Philadelphia. Last fall he was very useful in getting men to enlist, having recruited at least a company for the Tenth Kentucky. He has the confidence and love of his men, and is decidedly the most popular man in Central Kentucky. When his regiment moves it will be heard of to the sorrow of rebellion.

Breckinridge promised his men to dine in Baton Rouge, the day of the battle, just as Beauregard swore he would water his horse in the Tennessee river or hell. Beauregard, or Davis for him, seems to think the latter place is at Baton Rouge. No doubt Breckinridge will find his Baton Rouge in the same neighborhood.

The officers of the Seventy-first Ohio were allowed their side arms. The rebels were perfectly willing to allow them this, knowing as they did from experience that in their hands they would not be of the slightest possible danger to the rebellion.

The rebel Col. Woodward and Col. Mason, of the Seventy-first Ohio, had a specification after the surrender of Clarksville. Mason ought to be able to speak for himself, for he has struck the country dumb with astonishment.

What ought to be done with Colonel Mason, of the Seventy-first Ohio, for his cowardly surrender of Clarksville, and his specification afterwards? We are interested in finding out.

Are the officers of the Seventy-first Ohio aware that muskets and cartridges were given to their men for the purpose of shooting bullets at the enemy?

Some of Mason's friends are asking a suspension of opinion. It is probable that a suspension of Mason would be more to the purpose.

Gov. Yates, of Illinois, has telegraphed to Washington that fifty regiments will be organized and ready by the first of September.

The following beautiful lines are from the pen of a gentleman of this city: (For the Louisville Sunday Democrat.)

THERESA.

Unwilling amid the countless throng,
With pallid cheek and passive eye,
I saw thee stand, alone, among
The crowd that swept unheeded by.

The morn was bright, the day was fair,
The summer breeze blew soft and free—
A thousand heads were turned to gaze
On one so wildly beautiful as thou.

'Tis thrilling still, but not as thou,
How soon that spell of glances passed!
Why did I dream I loved thee, when
I knew the vision could not last?

Yet, who could coldly meet thy gaze,
Bright wanderer from thy native clime,
Whose charms defied the feeble power
To turn to dust the fruitless rhyme?

Methinks I hear thy voice 'e'en now,
In accents soft and sweet as thine,
As when, in answer to my vow,
Its tones in mournful sweetness fell:

As I did then, in that wild hour,
That reckless passion's falsehood moved
My lips, to words that mortal power,
To tell how deeply thou wert loved?

How vain the fear, if such 'ere came,
One hope thy love should fondly nurse!
Believe me never purer flame
From depths of human passion burst.

And can it be that thou wast part;
And must I, then, in silence keep,
Within my lone and aching heart,
This thought that never more shall sleep?

In vain, in vain from all this sadness
I seek to free my soul from thee;
And yet, though every thought were madness,
I would not lose one thought of thee.

Mid other scenes, in after days,
With thou not sometimes dream of him
Who daily hopes, and nightly prays,
Thy star of hope may never grow dim?

And if, perchance, we meet again,
While wandering o'er life's desert dune,
Will not thy pilgrim's prayer be vain,
To know the long-sought shrine is won?

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Same.—A bill for the benefit of M. H. Distin, the late sheriff of Barren county and his relatives, and for the benefit of the present collector of said county. Passed. Mr. Burns—County Courts—A bill to repeal all laws allowing pay for the scalps of M. H. Distin, was read for the first time. Negative—yeas 23, nays 60.

Mr. Burns moved that the bill be laid on the table. Negative—yeas 23, nays 60.

Mr. Burns moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. Negative.

Mr. Burns offered an amendment, which was decided out of order.

The bill was then passed by yeas 49, nays 29.

RESOLUTION.
Mr. Heeter offered the following preamble and resolution, viz:

Whereas, There seems to be a difference of opinion as to the meaning of a resolution, passed by the House in relation to disposing with all local business during the absence of a member, and as in any manner affect the interest of any man, woman or child of this Commonwealth.

Resolved, That the Committee on Military Affairs of this House be instructed to inquire into the expediency of making provisions for compensating members of the House for the services of the State, or the United States, or for the relief of families of members who have been or may hereafter be killed or disabled while engaged in such service, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Rankin offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Military Committee, viz:

Resolved, That the Committee on Military Affairs of this House be instructed to inquire into the expediency of making provisions for compensating members of the House for the services of the State, or the United States, or for the relief of families of members who have been or may hereafter be killed or disabled while engaged in such service, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Burns offered a resolution for an adjournment of the General Assembly from the 30th August, 1862, to the Wednesday after the first Monday of January, 1863. Lies one day on the table.

Mr. Roseau offered a resolution, which was referred to the Military Committee.

Mr. Browne offered the following resolution, which was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the Adjutant General be directed to procure from the several commands of the Kentucky troops, a list of the names of each officer and private in their commands at the time they entered the service, and to have the same recorded in a book kept for that purpose.

A MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.
Was received, by Mr. Hawkins, Assistant Clerk, announcing the passage of a bill from this House providing for the settlement of estates in which there are contingent remainders.

JOINT RESOLUTION.
Mr. Underwood offered the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, That it shall and it is the duty of the Governor to call into immediate service the militia of this State, for the purpose of suppressing the rebellion, and for the purpose of maintaining the peace and order of this State, and for the purpose of executing the laws of this State, and for the purpose of defending this State against all enemies, foreign and domestic, and for the purpose of protecting this State against all invasions, foreign and domestic, and for the purpose of preserving this State in peace and order, and for the purpose of executing the laws of this State, and for the purpose of defending this State against all enemies, foreign and domestic, and for the purpose of protecting this State against all invasions, foreign and domestic, and for the purpose of preserving this State in peace and order, and for the purpose of executing the laws of this State, and for the purpose of defending this State against all 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OFFICIAL.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

THURSDAY EVENING, Aug. 21, 1862.

Present—President Barrett and all the members except Messrs. Dunning and Pater.

The reading of the journal of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

The report of J. M. Winter, market-master of House No. 7, to October 31, 1862, was read.

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Notice to Owners of Property.

The owners of lots and parts of lots are

passed by the General Council, approved

and published, requiring the grading and

paving, or receding and repaving, of the

sidewalk in front of their respective lots,

and if they fail to have the same properly

done, within the thirty days from the date

hereof, the work will be done under a

contract at the expense of lot owners, as

provided for in the 3d section of the 7th

article of the City Charter.

And notice is given to all owners of lots

in accordance with the ordinance regulating

the same; said work when executed to be

received by the City Engineer, and if

not done in every respect in accordance

with specifications regarding sidewalk

paving, to be repaired at the expense of

property owners.

To recurb and repave the sidewalks on both

sides of Green street, from Floyd to Pres-

ton street.

SOUTH SIDE.

feet in.

Jas. C. Johnson, sr., Jas. C. John-

son, jr., Wm. Johnson, and Mary

Johnson.....149 00

W. P. Hahn.....18 00

W. Lang.....18 00

E. Frank.....18 00

Emmit Hinkle, B. Hinkle, and

G. W. and J. W. Simmons.....20 00

Catherine Perrin.....20 00

Ben. Hardin.....20 00

J. T. Richardson.....20 00

J. T. Cavin.....20 00

John Mitchell.....20 00

Julia Crow's heirs.....20 00

J. P. Siebert.....17 00

W. M. Quast.....34 00

H. Miller.....17 00

H. T. Tiers.....20 00

C. Siebert.....17 00

NORTH SIDE.

Jacob Pfister.....26 00

Henry Ulrich.....26 00

H. B. Bowers.....26 00

J. Murray.....26 00

M. C. Craborn.....26 00

African Baptist Church.....26 00

B. B. Hinkle.....26 00

A. Tarbell.....26 00

Lou. & F. L. R. Co.....105 00

J. C. Johnson, Jr., J. Johnson,

Wm. Johnson, and Mary Johnson

.....26 00

To grade and pave the sidewalks on both

sides of Franklin street, from Shelby to

Carroll street.

NORTH SIDE.

A. W. R. Harris Trustee.....26 00

H. Scumacher.....26 00

G. Gill.....26 00

T. S. Horton.....26 00

P. Norton.....26 00

C. Kroeger.....26 00

M. Dickson.....26 00

Jessie Truman.....26 00

Gray.....26 00

J. C. Arnold.....26 00

Wade Hampton.....11 00

Ann Campbell.....41 00

John Mann.....85 00

John Gibner.....20 00

A. O. Harlan.....39 00

SOUTH SIDE.

Wm. Garvin.....280 00

David & Story.....35 00

W. B. Tharp's estate.....62 00

Thomas H. Irvine.....20 00

James Williams.....20 00

Jonathan Pearce.....20 00

Jerry King.....20 00

Benedict Sachs.....20 00

To grade and pave the sidewalks on both

sides of First street, from Washington to

Water street.

EAST SIDE.

Jno. Ferguson.....28 00

J. N. Broder.....185 00

John M. Delph.....106 00

H. L. Pope.....63 00

WEST SIDE.

H. L. Pope.....70 00

H. L. Pope, W. H. Walker, and E.

Fitchfield.....72 00

INSURANCE.

STATEMENT

OF THE CONDITION OF THE

HOWARD INSURANCE

COMPANY,

On the 1st day of July, 1862.

MADE TO THE AUDITOR OF THE STATE OF

Kentucky, in compliance with an act, entitled

"An act to regulate the business of Foreign Insurance

Companies," approved March 1862.

1st. NAME AND LOCATION.

The name of the Company is the Howard Insurance

Company, of New York, and is located at No. 60

Wall street, in the City of New York.

2d. CAPITAL.

The amount of its capital stock is Two Hundred

Fifty Thousand Dollars. The amount of the

capital stock paid up is Two Hundred and Fifty

Thousand Dollars.

ASSETS.

1. Cash on hand.....\$9,500 29

2. Real estate unimproved, in New

York City, \$50,000, in Brooklyn.....67,000 00

3. Real estate improved, in New York City, \$25,000, in Brooklyn.....10,000 00

4. Debts due the Company, otherwise

secured, on unimproved real estate, \$10,000 00

5. Debts due the Company, otherwise

secured, on improved real estate, \$10,000 00

6. Debts due the Company, otherwise

secured, on other property, \$10,000 00

7. All other securities, interest accrued on Bonds, &c., but not yet due.....2,625 91

Total assets of the Company.....\$206,225 91

LIABILITIES.

1. The amount of liabilities, due and not

due, to Banks and other creditors.....\$17,000 00

2. Losses adjusted and not due.....10,000 00

3. Losses unadjusted and not due.....13,750 91

4. Losses in suspense, waiting for further

proof.....1,000 00

5. All other claims against the Company.....2,000 00

Total liabilities.....\$43,750 91

STATE OF NEW YORK.

City and County of New York.

Samuel T. Skidmore, President, and Henry A. Oak-

ley, Secretary, of the Howard Insurance Company, be-

ing severally sworn, depose and say, that the foregoing is a

true and correct statement of the affairs of the said Insurance

Company, as required by said act, and that the same is

correctly stated, and that the same is a true and correct

statement of the affairs of the said Insurance Company, as

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